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Peter M. Rooney Secretary for Environmental Protection

Dear Mr. van Aelstyn:

RI/FS WORK PLAN APPROVAL - BAY AREA DRUM SITE, SAN FRANCISCO

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has reviewed the replacement pages, submitted November 5 and 12, 1997, for the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Work Plan, dated October 3, 1997. Since the replacement pages adequately address our previous comments, DTSC approves the RI/FS Work Plan, dated October 3, 1997, as amended by the replacement pages which are dated November 3, 1997.

As a result of recent additional information provided to DTSC, we request that additional investigation, not specified in the approved RI/FS Work Plan, be performed to check for contaminant migration. DTSC requests additional investigation to verify that contamination did not migrate offsite from the former process building to the property adjacent to the building at 1250 Thomas Avenue. DTSC also requests that groundwater sampling be performed in a well located in the backyard of the residence at 1208 Shafter Avenue, to check for contamination that may have migrated from the Bay Area Drum Site. The plan for performing the additional sampling can be submitted as an addendum to the RI/FS Work Plan.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Bill Brown at (510) 540-3841.

Sincerely,

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